**Per capita income ratio between urban population and farmers**

7431. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) the per capita income ratio between the urban population and the farmers living in the villages ;

(b) whether the per capita income of farmers is low as compared to the per capita income of the people living in the urban areas ;

(c) whether Government are aware that in some countries like Japan, the per capita income of farmers and people living in urban areas is in the ratio 140:100 ; and

(d) if so, the efforts made by Government for raising the per capita income of farmers to the level of the income of urban population ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) Estimates of per capita income of farmers separately, are not available The estimates of net domestic product (NDP) by urban and rural areas, which include farmers living in villages, have been worked out at current prices for the census years 1970-71 and 1980-81 only. Thus, the average per capita income of people living in rural areas is lower than that of people living in urban areas.

(c) Exact corresponding information for Japan is not available.

(d) During the Eighth Five Year Plan, the emphasis on growth and diversification of agriculture and development of allied activties such as animal husbandry, sericulture, fisheries, horticulture, agro-forestry etc. will help in generating higher returns and incomes for farmers. Greater emphasis on dry land farming and treatment of rainfed areas on watershed basis during the Eighth Plan will help in generating higher incomes for farmers through improved productivty The significant shift in investment in favour of agriculture & allied sectors by way of increase in share of agriculture & allied sector including irrigation in the total investment from 11.23 per cent in the Seventh Plan to 18.65 per cent projected during the Eighth Plan will also help in increasing the level of productivity and income of farmers.

**Amount spent on self-employment in the country**

7432. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) theamount spent on providing employment to educated and uneducated youth under the self employment scheme during the last three years, year-wise ;

(b) the number of youth benefitted therefrom ;

(c) the number of unemployed educated and uneducated youth statewise ;

(d) whether Government have prepared a scheme to provide employment to all youth ; and

(e) if so, the detaills thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO) : (a) and (b) Self-employment programme specifically meant for the youth is the Scheme for Self-Employment for Educated Unemployed Youth.